

# Our Lady Queen of Peace

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## Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday—8:30 am; Wednesday—6:30 pm.

Saturday—4:30 pm Sunday—8:30 & 10:30 am

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**56th Annual Smorgasbord & Bazaar**  
Sunday, December 4, 2016

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
132 Butcher St., Bethalto, IL 62010  
**11:00 am to 3:00 pm**  
Dinner served in the school gym located directly behind the church.

**CASH RAFFLE**  
\$500-\$250-\$100-\$50 PRIZES

**RAFFLE:**  
Quilt, Patriotic Afghan and Ceramic Advent Wreath

**CARRY-OUTS AVAILABLE PUBLIC INVITED**

- Knights of Columbus Fried Chicken
- Turkey & Dressing
- Pigs in the Blanket
- Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
- Vegetables
- Tossed Salad
- Desserts & Beverages

**ADULTS \$12**  
**CHILDREN \$5** (10 and Under)  
**Under 5 FREE**

**Adult Choir**      **Youth Choir**

Next Sunday is our  
**Annual Smorgasbord & Bazaar**  
-Please sign up to work a shift if you haven't already!  
-Also, we ask each family to donate 2 homemade desserts and an item for our Bazaar.  
-We need Everyone's Help To Make This a Successful Fundraiser!

Questions/More Info, call any of the following chairpersons:  
Martha/Dan Smith, 670-1023, 670-6363,  
Tim/Linda Zacha, 377-5725, Fran Nappier, 377-1122,  
Maryjo Flaherty, 406-7783.



*Dear Father,*

*You are a God of plenty, a Lord who provides for us in our need. As we begin these early days of Advent, help us to believe that you know what we need. Give us the courage to listen to your voice and the freedom to open our hearts to the graces you are offering us to place our trust in you. Amen.*



## First Sunday of Advent

### Mass Schedule & Intentions



<b>Sat., Nov. 26</b>	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>
4:30 pm	Kurt, Grace & Ed Boerner
<b>Sun, Nov. 27</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
8:30 am	Angie Hagen
10:30 am	For the Parishioners
<b>Mon., Nov. 28</b>	<b>Advent Weekday</b>
8:30 am	Kristyn Irvin
<b>Tues., Nov. 29</b>	<b>Advent Weekday</b>
8:30 am	Kenny Kinder
<b>Wed., Nov. 30</b>	<b>St. Andrew</b>
6:30 pm	Freda Maher
<b>Thurs., Dec. 1</b>	<b>Advent Weekday</b>
8:30 am	Kenny Kinder
<b>Fri., Dec. 2</b>	<b>Advent Weekday</b>
8:30 am	Wethington Family
<b>Sat., Dec. 3</b>	<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>
4:30 pm	Rudy Papa

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday.....3:30-4:15 pm & by appointment

### Hospital Visits/Sacrament of Anointing

Call parish office to request a hospital visit or the Sacrament of Anointing by Fr. Tom.

### Knights of Columbus Contact Info

Bethalto Council #4688, 4th Degree Assembly #203  
Grand Knight: Chris DeClue,  
Email: [bethaltoknight@gmail.com](mailto:bethaltoknight@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.bethaltoknights.org](http://www.bethaltoknights.org)

### Communion to the Homebound

Holy Communion is brought to homebound and residents of Villa Rose Retirement Living and Bethalto Care Center on Fridays for those unable to attend Mass. Call office to request.

### Adoration of

### The Blessed Sacrament

Saturday.....9:00 am-11:00 am

### Sacrament of Baptism

Parents of infants to be baptized should call the parish office to request a meeting with Fr. Tom.

### Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday,

### Dear Parishioners,

As we begin our new liturgical year on this first Sunday of Advent, let us remind ourselves of the meaning of the Advent season. It is a time in which we prepare ourselves for the coming of the Christmas season and the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It is not a time to back down from Christmas and relegate it to only a "happy holiday" season. It is the Christmas season that we as Christians are preparing to celebrate. If the politically correct crowd want to rage war on this sacred time of year then that is their right. However, it is our right to counter their attack with a bold proclamation, and that proclamation is –"Merry Christmas".

**Fr. Tom**

### Community Hope Center Toy Drive

Only 1 week left to bring toys for the Community Hope Center's Toy Drive. Donation barrels can be found in the back of church and in the school lobby. They request toys for infants through 12 years old and ask toys be new, unwrapped, valued \$10 or more. Also, need stocking stuffer toys, coats, gloves, scarfs, hats, and any financial donations to cover the cost of last minute items needed. Barrels picked up Dec. 5. Thanks!

### RCIA

#### What was the ceremony celebrated last Sunday at Mass?

Last Sunday we celebrated two Rites of initiation for inquirers in the RCIA process: the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens (for those preparing for their Baptism) and the Rite of Welcoming (for those already baptized in another Christian tradition who are seeking full communion with the Catholic Church). The following catechumens celebrated the Rite of Acceptance: **Jonathon Robert McMillian; Adam Sims & Catherine C McMahon**. The following candidates celebrated the Rite of Welcoming: **Teri Fulk; Amanda Varble; & Brandy Green**. A very special thanks to all who helped in any way with the celebration. Please continue to pray for our catechumens and candidates as they now enter into a period of deeper formation in the RCIA process.

### Prayer Requests

**The sick:** Darlene Fox, Conor Vogel, Mary Oldham, Jim Budde, Julie Stutz-Weindel, Jim Friedrich, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Janet Yates, Bob Schley, Pat Ricci, Jean Greer, Cathy Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Baby Corbin, Mackenzie Robinson, Marguerite Hufker, Darlene Huebener, Vera Langenneckert, Becky Hunt, Betty Bast, Bobby & Jared Evans, Randall Oldham, Amy Bernhard, Bonnie Ritzheimer, Nelson Gregory, Bill Jones, Dorothy Wittig, Richard Farlow, Paul Schroeder. **Parish E-Mail Prayer Chain:** Send requests to Marie at [rejoy128@gmail.com](mailto:rejoy128@gmail.com)

### SCRIP for Christmas!

We have SCRIP (gift cards) for everyone on your Christmas shopping list! We keep cards for 50+ retailers on hand and hundreds more are available for order. We will continue placing an order each week through December 16. If you have any questions or need any information about the SCRIP program, please give us a call in the church office, 377-6519.

### Community 55

**Community 55** will meet on **THURSDAY, December 15, 11:30 am** in the parish hall. Luncheon catered by Diana, \$10/

**November 27, 2016**

**Wild Game Feed!**

**Saturday, Feb 18, 2017** 6-9 pm – OLQP, St. Mary’s Alton and Ss Peter & Paul youth groups are hosting a wild game dinner at Suddes Hall of St. Mary’s Alton. We are asking for donations of deer, elk, turkey, duck, geese, antelope, bear, wild boar, etc., and fish of any kind. We ask you notify us of your donations but hold them until just prior to event. However, if you need to arrange for someone to pick up, just let us know. Advance dinner reservations \$25 each, **tickets are limited** and advanced purchase is recommended. Ticket includes meal, coffee, tea, soda and 1 glass of wine or beer. Additional beer/wine will be available for purchase. Price at the door - \$35 if tickets still available. Contact Norm 618-363-3020 or Amy 618-444-7715 to donate and/or reserve your ticket. Tickets will be available at church office soon.

**Pro Life March**

The 2017 March for Life in Washington DC will be on Friday, January 27, 2016. More details to come!

**Adopt A Family**

If you are **interested in adopting a family** in need this Christmas season or **if you are a struggling family**, please contact one of our two office locations during the month of November. Individual items donated for children and young adults are always appreciated. Call Madison County Catholic Charities at 462-0634, ext. 221 or 877-1184.

**Breakfast with Santa**

OLQP students will be sponsoring their 6th annual Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, Dec.10, 9 am—10:30 am, in the school gym, to raise money for their annual trip to Space Camp. **All children of the parish are invited to this event** which includes breakfast, a craft and a picture with Santa. Cost is \$10/child or \$25/family. To make a reservation, call the school office at 377-6401 no later than Thursday, December 8.

**Smorgasbord Time is Here!**

All families are asked to donate 2 dessert items. We want to remind everyone to please take their raffle tickets and money to the office this week or bring to the Smorgasbord next Sunday. If you still have craft items for the bazaar, they can also be taken to the office or bring them to the gym prior to 10:00 am on Sunday. **All Turkey bakers can pick up there turkey, bag, etc. on Tuesday, November 29th in the church base-**

**Parishioner Information**

(New Members & Changes)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the appropriate item(s):  
 New Parishioner                     Send Envelopes  
 New Phone—Email             New Baby  
 Change of Address             Leaving Parish

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

**Weekend of December 3-4, 2016**

**USHERS/GREETERS:**

4:30 pm Dee Oller, Stacey Dooling  
                  Paggy Jo Batson, Linda Heinz  
8:30 am Don Buller, Steve Norris  
                  Brian Stacks, Janet Gross  
10:30am Jennifer Stout, Kathy Murphy  
                  Carol Shelton, Deanna McDonough

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

4:30 pm Bob Sulsberger, Mary Stewart, Joe Gulash  
                  Jean Johnson, Dick Rogers, Marcella Dipaolo  
                  John Harshbarger, Liz Laurent  
8:30 am Lee Friedel, Marie DeClue, Linda Zacha  
                  Marce & Brenda Tebbem Brenda Zacha  
                  Dianne Morin, Renea Wilhite  
10:30 am Linda Heinz, Marge Kirby, Teresa Wilson  
                  Emma Mattix-Wand, John Forrester, John Torrez  
                  Tim & Jana Pruitt

**SERVERS:**

4:30 pm Cecilia Visser  
                  Delaney Jarman  
                  Dawson Jaman  
8:30 am Katelyn Maher  
                  Lauren Maher  
                  Ben Werts  
10:30 am Jackson Collman  
                  Ashleigh Dolling  
                  Cody Albarado

**MUSIC:**

4:30pm Choir  
8:30am Barb/Darren  
10:30 am Praise Team

**LECTORS:**

4:30 pm Rebecca Gray  
8:30 a JoEllyn Patterson  
10:30 am Mike Inman

**SCRIP Sellers— December 3-4, 2016**

4:30 Stephanie Gvillo, Tammie Harshbarger

**Preparing for More**

**“Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.” Matthew 24:42**

In our readings for today, Jesus lets loose a series of striking images here: floods carrying people away, a person being left behind while a coworker is taken off, a thief breaking into a house. Jesus is not out to frighten us but to grab our attention. He knows how easy it is for us to sleepwalk and set ourselves on autopilot—even Christian autopilot—and take salvation for granted.

The need to earn a living and maintain a reasonable degree of security can easily come to dominate our waking hours. So can planning our next vacation, preparing for the next social event or shopping for dinner. The demands and possibilities of our daily lives need our attention, but they are not the whole story. Advent reminds us to look beyond immediate concerns toward our eternal destiny. Prepare for Christmas, of course, but prepare for much more.

*Lord, you came to offer us an eternal home, and you will come again. Help us to receive you with joy.*

Mark Neilsen, *Living Faith*,  
October, November, December 2016

**Faith Based Weight Management Program**

Seeking individuals interested in losing weight and learning to keep it off in an SIUE Research Study, to be held at First Baptist Church of Bethalto, Starting January 9 & 12, 6-7 pm, meeting one night per week for 13 weeks. The cost is free. To receive more info, call Laura Tungett, 660-7339 or email